(ख) पिछले तीन वर्षों के दौरान भारतीय नौवहन निगम द्वारा अपने जलयानों की मरम्मत और रख-रखाव के लिए खर्च की गई विदेशी मुद्रा इस प्रकार है :—

वर्ष	राशि (करोड़ रु०)
1991–92 . .	98.84
1992–93 . .	97.94
1993–94 . .	98.98

(ग) सरकार ने भारतीय नौवहन निगम को विदेशी मुद्रा की कोई प्रत्यक्ष सहायता प्रदान नहीं की है। तथापि, सरकार ने भारतीय नौवहन निगम द्वारा लिए गए 62.30 मिलियन अमेरिकी डालर के ऋण और उस पर केवल 1991-92 की अवधि के दौरान लगे ब्याज के लिए भारतीय स्टेट बैंक को काउन्टर गारंटियां जारी की है।

(घ) वर्ष 1995–96 के दौरान निगम द्वारा किसी विदेशी सहायता की मांग नहीं की गई है।

Accidents involving red-line buses

5611. PROF. VIJAY KUMAR MALHOTRA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the accidents involving Red-line buses are on the increase;

(b) if so, the action Government have taken or propose to take to check these accidents;

(c) the number of fatal accidents that have taken place in each of the month since the inception of Red-lines in Delhi and how many of the Red-lines are involved in accident (s) one after the other; and

(d) the action taken against the recurring offenders?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) No, Sir. However, action taken/being taken to further minimise road accidents in Delhi are given in the enclosed Statement-II (See below)

(c) Monthwise fatal accidents taken place since the inception of Red-line buses are given in the annex. Statement-II (*See* below) Besides 274 Red line buses are reported to have been involved in more than one accident.

(d) The cases, under appropriate Section of Law have been registered by Delhi Police against the recurring offenders. Besides, from 1.11.1994 to 31.3.1995, the total number of prosecutions of Red-line buses were 1,03,065, which included 5958 cases of arrests of drivers and 4217 cases of impounding of buses.

Steps taken/being taken to reduce accidents in Delhi

1. 1995 is being observed as 'Road Safety Year' All the State Governments have been requested to take effective measures to reduce road accidents and carry out various publicity campaigns throughout the year

2. The Transport Department, Delhi has set up a Motor Driving Training School to impart driver training on scientific lines.

3. Measures have been taken to ensure strict compliance of provisions of Motor Vehicles Act with regard to issue of driving licences as well as fitness of the vehicles.

4. Refresher Courses for the drivers were started in November, 1992 and are going on. The drivers are subjected to proficiency test. Besides, training programmes are also being run by Loss Prevention Association of India. National Association of

Critical Care Medicine (India), New Delhi has also conducted 60 one day training programmes for drivers at Inspection Pit, Burari, New Delhi which were attended by about 6,500 drivers.

5. The Delhi Police have also taken following steps to check the accidents:

(i) Strict and rigid enforcement of traffic rules and regulations.

(ii) Organising special drives against rash and negligent driving, driving without licence, drunken driving and red light jumping, etc.

(iii) Regular prosecution of violation by issue of notice.

(iv) *Introduction of traffic signals*|blinkers in accident prone areas.

(v) Deployment of more traffic policemen in accident prone areas.

(vi) Special mobile checking on National Highways.

(vii) Prosecution with that help of modern equipment, i.e. Alcometer and Radar Gun.

(viii) Taking out mobile exhibition van to different places for refresher courses.

(ix) Distribution of literature on road safety.

(x) The Delhi Traffic Police is regularly organising 'Special Prosecution Drives' against erring drivers to reduce road accidents and improvement their behaviour. From January, 1994 to February, 1995, the Delhi Police arrested 10,062 erring drivers, impounded 7,644 vehicles andd prosecuted 15,83,997 vehicles for various traffic violations.

Statement

Details of Fatal accidents by Redline Buses for the period from 1.10.92 *to* 31.12.92, 1.1.93 *to* 31.12.93 1.1.94 to 31.12.94 and 1.1.95 to 31.3.95 (*Month-wise*)

Period	*No. of Fatal Accidents*
Oct. '92	1
Nov. '92	—
Dec. '92	2
Jan. '93	17
Feb. '93	14
March '93	23
April '93	26
May '93	16
JJune '93	23
July '93	15
Aug. '93	27
Sept. '93	19
Oct. '93	28
Nov., '93	21
Dec. '93	21
Jan. '94	25
Feb. '94	14
March '94	20
April '94	13
May '94	18
June '94	18
July '94	09
Aug. '94	15
Sept.' 94	23
Oct. '94	20
Nov. '94	15
Dec., '94	16
Jan. '95	27
Feb. '95	20
March '95	24